

Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center DEPARTMENT OF NURSING ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY AND PROCEDURE

SUBJECT: LICENSED STAFF RESPONSIBILITIES IN

PATIENT CENTERED ROUNDS / TEAM

MEETINGS

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Purpose of Procedure:

To define the roles and responsibilities of the Registered Nurse (RN) and Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN) in Patient Centered Rounds / Team meetings.

Policy Statement:

Successful rehabilitation requires synergistic efforts from the interdisciplinary team composed of multiple disciplines or professionals with a wide range of clinical skills and expertise.

RNs and LVNs are integral members of the interdisciplinary (IDT) team with the shared responsibility of working together effectively and harmoniously utilizing a patient centered approach.

The RN / LVN collaborates effectively with the interdisciplinary team during patient centered rounds or team meetings in coordinating patient care and services to facilitate goal achievement and optimize outcomes for the patient and family.

The team will document in the medical record the occurrence of the patient centered rounds/team meeting, including updates to the plan of care, goals and barriers to goal achievement, patient's progress, discharge planning and transitions of care.

Each discipline must have up-to-date knowledge of the patient's progress.

Policy Guidelines:

- A licensed nurse who is knowledgeable of the plan of care and patient's progress attends all patient care conferences.
 - **KEY POINT:** The goal is to provide quality and continuity of care and services. The licensed nurse assigned to the patient either as primary nurse or as a team member will attend and represent nursing in patient centered rounds/ team meetings.
- 2. The licensed nurse actively and effectively collaborates with the patient, family and IDT to determine appropriate patient centered goals.
- The IDT team develops a holistic plan of care based on identified goals.
 The licensed nurse works collaboratively with the team in the development of a discharge plan that is focused on achieving patient and family goals.
- 4. The licensed nurse reviews the patient's plan of care and makes adjustments necessary to overcome barriers to achieve goals.
- 5. The licensed nurse will complete the nursing portion of the interdisciplinary team note.
- 7. The licensed nurse encourages and coaches patients and their families to actively participate in patient centered rounds/team meetings.
- 8. The licensed nurse's participation in patient centered rounds/team meetings is documented in the interdisciplinary team conference note.

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